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FM AMCONSUL LAHORE

TO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

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AMCONSUL KARACHI

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FOR ECON AND BNDD

E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: SNAR, PK

SUBJECT: NARCOTICS

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH CHAWDRI ABDUL WAHID 20 APRIL, HE STATED THAT HE WOULD REPRESENT PUNJAB PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT IN DISCUSSION OF NARCOTICS PROBLEMS AT ISLAMABAD ON APRIL 27.

2. IN RESPONSE QUERY WHETHER HE THOUGHT GOP WOULD ADOPT RECOMMENDATION OF US NARCOTICS TEAM THAT LICIT PRODUCTION OF OPIUM BE TERMINATED WITH COMING GROWING SEASON, ABDUL WAHID SAID DECISION NOT YET TAKEN, BUT HE PERSONALLY FELT THERE NO REASON FROM PUNJAB POINT OF VIEW WHY IT COULD NOT BE STOPPED. HE SAID THAT DECISION WHETHER TO ISSUE LICENSES FOR NEXT SEASON' S CROP WAS UP TO NWFP, BUT THAT PUNJAB GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT SUBMIT ITS NORMAL RECOMMENDED QUOTA ( FOR WHOLE COUNTRY) UNLESS SPECIFICALLY ASKED. HE EXPECTED ISSUE TO BE RESOLVED THIS WEEK AT MEETING OF NEW NATIONAL NARCOTICS BOARD.  
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3. WAHID GAVE HIGH PRAISE TO WORK OF US TEAM, BUT AS PERSONAL CRITICISM OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS TEAM, HE

OFFERED HIS FEELING THAT TRANSFER OF DRUG ENFORCEMENT  
AUTHORITY TO POLICE WOULD NOT BE PRACTICAL. HE FEELS  
THAT POLICE PRIORITIES ARE ON OTHER CRIMES AND IT WOULD  
BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO CONVINCE THEM GIVE NEEDED  
ATTENTION TO DRUG SMUGGLING ACTIVITIES. HIS RECOMMENDATION,  
WHICH HIGHLY INFORMAL, IS THAT ENFORCEMENT GROUPS BE SET  
UP IN EXCISE AND TAXATION AND BE GIVEN NECESSARY TRAINING  
AND EQUIPMENT TO DO JOB ON THEIR OWN WITHOUT POLICE  
HELP.

4. COMMENT: THIS SOUNDS TO US LIKE HE IS BACKING PAK  
NARCOTICS BOARD CHAIRMAN ORAKZAI' S PLAN TO CREATE LARGE  
ENFORCEMENT GROUPS NATIONWIDE, RATHER THAN ONE PILOT  
STRIKE FORCE PER PROVINCE TO WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
POLICE.

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